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Applicant	Mandina, Michael P.
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Title	Apparatus and Process for Polishing a Substrate
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Examiner	Rachuba, Maurina T
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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action of August 20, 2004, please find the response
10 as follows:

Election begins on page 2 of this paper.

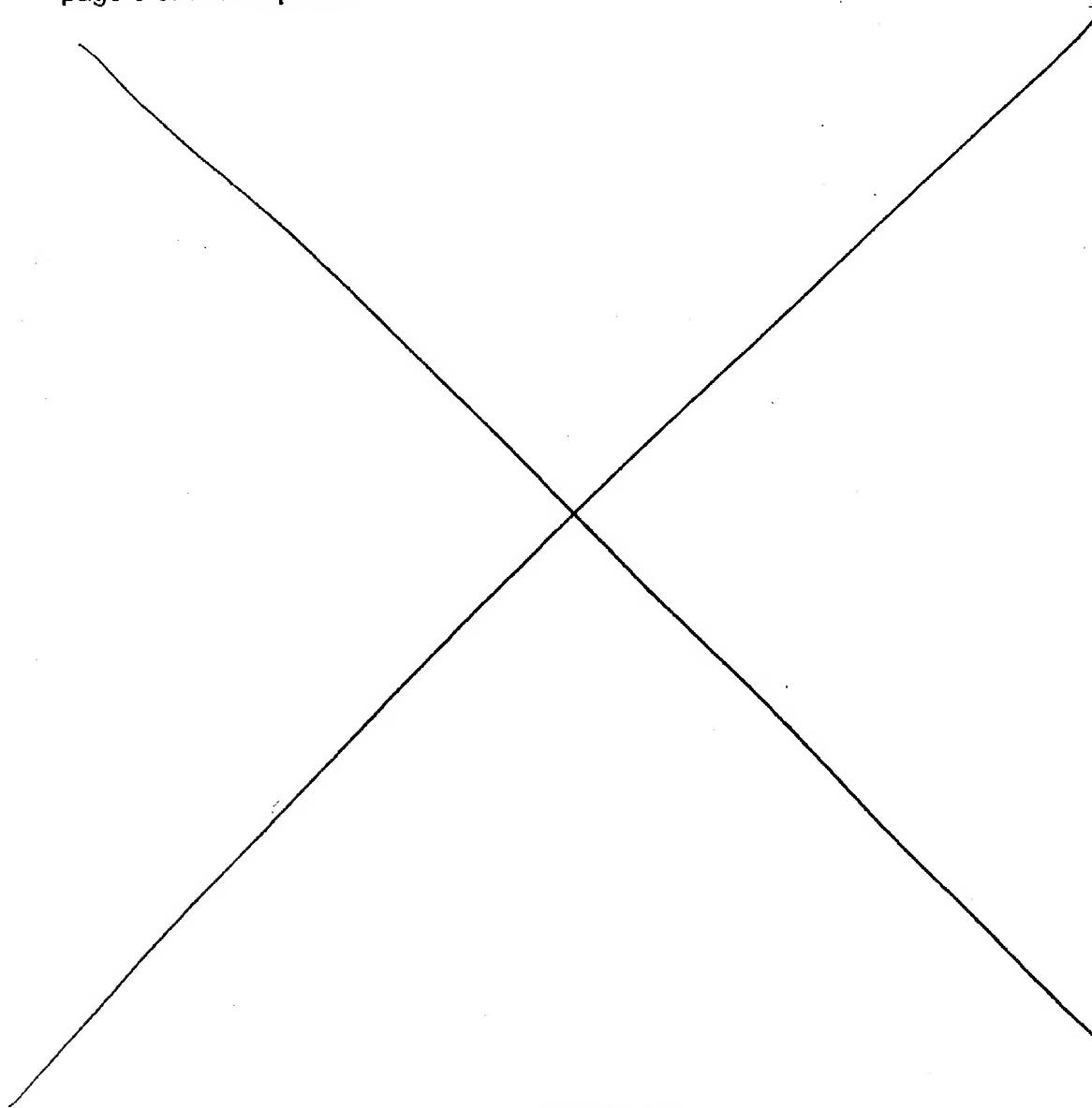
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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In response to the Office Communication of August 20, 2004, in which the Examiner requested election of species for prosecution on the merits, applicant provisionally elects Species 2 (means for moving the polishing pad in a linear motion), claims 1-20 with traverse.

The bases for the applicant's traverse of the Examiner's restriction requirement are respectfully submitted in the Remarks section beginning upon page 3 of this response.



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